To Our Honorable State Representatives:

I urge you to take steps to protect our state's Tenth Amendment rights. For many years now the federal government has moved to erode state prerogatives and independence. It is time now to demand that our federal government cease enacting mandates that are beyond the scope of their constitutionally delegated powers.

It is my belief that our Constitution was a well-thought out document that has served us well. We must uphold the framework that was put in place which has made our form of government the best in the world. We must maintain the balance of power that has made this country what it is. We have seen what happens in countries where one individual or branch of government has the all the control.

The residents of Connecticut and our representatives are capable of governing ourselves. We don't need the federal government to direct us and mandate to us in areas that are beyond its constitutionally delegated powers. It is time for states to stand up to the federal government when it over-reaches its duties. It is time now to rededicate ourselves to upholding the Constitution of the United States of America.

I urge you to move forward with legislation requiring that the Congress abide by the Constitution's Tenth Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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